

IOWAccess Project 6

Online Housing & Finance Information System

Friday, March 13 η 10 am - Noon

Iowa Department of Economic Development η 200 E. Grand η Des Moines

Members Present

Bruce Ray, Co-Chair

Irene Hardisty, Co-Chair

Vanessa Baker-Latimer (via telephone)

Jim Chesnik

Bill McNarny

Julie Noland

Annette Barnard

Rose Wazny

Contractors

Tim Borich, Iowa State University

Nora Ladjahasan, Iowa State University

Mike Miller, Iowa State University

IOWAccess Staff

Shannon Tyler

Linda Plazak

Welcome

Bruce Ray called the meeting to order and reviewed the agenda for the meeting.

Project 1 Update

Plazak stated that the contractor, Iowa Interactive, is now on site and committed to moving forward with the project. She noted that there are currently two bills in the legislature that concern IOWAccess, the IOWAccess bill and the digital signature bill.

Plazak noted that Project 1 is behind schedule by approximately two months, but expects to meet the May 1, 1998 deadline of having sites linked to IOWAccess.

Review of Contractor's Progress

Ladjahasan distributed revised questionnaires and updated the team on the progress. She stated that there are currently 40 completed, and that there are approximately 410 in the sample. Ladjahasan stated that the people are responsive to the questionnaires and noted that the interviews take approximately 10–40 minutes. Ladjahasan stated that some people contacted are asking for the questionnaire to be faxed to them. The team members stated that this is an acceptable practice to those that request it.

Borich stated that the local groups survey will begin soon, and noted that there is a need for more names of local groups.

Miller demonstrated a sample website that uses a similar database search as this Project. He stated that the look of the Project's website will be determined after the data is collected.

Plazak asked who would be responsible for the upkeep of the information. Ray stated that this has not been determined yet. Plazak stated that it may be feasible for the group to ask for a separate appropriation. It was noted that in the proposal from ISU, there was a section that included costs for upkeep: \$29,000 annually for basic website maintenance and \$52,000 for additional data collection.

Adjourn

The Project 6 Team adjourned at 11:30 am. The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for April 24 from 10:00 am - Noon.